alng the fold; the sexual pencil of long hairs pale buff tipped with grey.

Expmise 32 mom.
Mut). Makala-Beni, U'mgo Free State, Jnly 1906.
In the Powell-C'tton collection.

LXIL.- 1 Rerision of the Tritish and Irish Fishes of the Conus Coregonus. By C. 'Tate Rerans, M.A.

Four speeies of Coregmua have ustatly been reengnized as pertaning to the Britith farm, viz: (C. noyrhynchus, Lime, the migratory Ifontine, which is emmon on the enasts and in the riverse ef continental Enr a from Sean linavia to IIolland, and is occasionally captured in our sonthern and castern comenties; Oclupeoirles, Lacep., the Powan of Loch Lomond, Schelly of Ullswater and Haweswater, and Gwyniad of Bala Lake; C. pollan, Thompse, the Pollan of Ireland; and C. vandesins, Richards, the Vendace of Lochnaben.

Two years ago I described the Vendace of Derwentwater and Bassentlowaito as a new species, C. gracilior, differing from the Lochmaben Vendace in the more elongate body and more slender eaudal peduncle, smatler head, shorter paired and lower unpaired fins, and in usually having a ray more in the dorsal fin. My description was based on five specimens; eight more are now in the British Museum collection, and agree well enough with the types, but the differences from C. vandesius are so slight that it may be best to recognize C. gracilior as a subspecies only.

A fine series of the Pollan of Lough Erne show that, as observed by Yarrell, this fish has usually a cleeper body than the Lough Neagh Pollan; also, as a rule, there is a scale more between the lateral line and the base of the pelvic fin. These and other slight differences are here recognized by descrilling the Lough Eme fish as a new subspecies of C. pollan under the name C. altior. The Pollan of the lakes of the Shannon system has already received the name C. elegans from Thompson; it is here regarded as a second subspecies, differing from the typical C. pollen in the shorter maxillary and also in laving the scales usually more numerous, especially when counted in a transverse series or round the caudal peduncle.

I have examined two spirit-specimens of the Loch Lomond

Powran (C. chupeoides, Lacep.), and have compared with them a good series of the Schelly of Ullswater and Haweswater, which is very similar, but differs at last in having more scales round the catdal peduncle ( 22 to 24 instead of 20 or 21 ), Whilst the head and interorbital region are somerwht broader ; the presence of small blackish spots on the sides, which are very variable, sometimes extending all over the head and body and on to the vertical fins, suggest the new subspecific name stigmaticus for this form. The Gwyniad of Bala Lake (C. pemantii, Val.) is a better defined race ; when compared with Powan or Schelly of the same size the cye is seen to be rather larger, and consequently the maxillary extends a little beyond instead of to the vertical from the anterior edge of the eye, cacept in one very large specimen ( 400 mm. ) ; the scales in a transverse series are ustually more numerons, the anal fin usually longer, and the interorbital region somewhat narrower than in the Powan or the Schelly.

> Synopsis of the Species and Subspecies.

## I. Lower jaw projecting.

Depth of body $\frac{2}{3}$ to $4 \frac{1}{1}$ in the length; candal peduncle 1 to $I_{\frac{1}{3}}$ as long as deep. Dorsal fin with 7 to 9 branched rays, the longest from $\frac{3}{4}$ to as long as the head ; pectoral extending $\frac{3}{5}$ to $\frac{3}{2}$ of the distance from its base to that of the pelvics

1. vandesios.

Depth of body 4 to 5 in the length ; caudal peduncle $1 \frac{1}{2}$ to 2 as long as deep. Dorsal fin with 8 to 10 brauched rays, the longest $\frac{2}{3}$ to $\frac{4}{5}$ the length of head ; pectoral extending $\frac{1}{2}$ to nearly $\frac{2}{3}$ of the distance from its base to that of the pelvics. 1 a. yrucitior,
II. Jatrs equal anteriorly.

Depth of body $3 \frac{3}{4}$ to $4 \frac{3}{2}$ in the length; maxillary ex. tending to below anterior $\frac{1}{3}$ of eye or beyond, its length $\frac{2}{7}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$ of the length of head; $7 \frac{1}{2}$ to 9 scales between lateral line and base of pelvic fin, 19 to 22 round the caudal peduncle
2. pollen.
tending to below anterior $\frac{1}{4}$ or anterior $\frac{1}{3}$ of eye, its length from a little more than $\frac{\frac{1}{7} \text { to a little less }}{}$ than $\frac{1}{3}$ of the length of head: $8 \frac{1}{2}$ to 10 scales between lateral line and base of pelvic fin, 21 to 24 round the caudal peduncle
$2 a$ altior.
Depth of body $3 \frac{3}{2}$ to $4 \frac{1}{2}$ in the length; maxilary extending to below anterior $\frac{\frac{3}{4}}{4}$ of eye, its length $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{2}{7}$ the length of head; 8 to 10 scales between lateral line and base of pelvic fin, 22 to 26 round the caudal peduncle

2b. elegrens.
III. Lower jaw included within the upper.
A. Snout rertically truncated.

Anal fin with 9 to 11 branched rays: $7 \frac{1}{2}$ to $8 \frac{1}{2}$ scales between lateral line and base of pelvic fin, 20 or 21 round the caudal peduncle; interorbital width $3 \frac{1}{3}$
to $3 \frac{2}{5}$ in the length of head
3. chupeoides.

Anal fin with 10 to 12 hranched ravs; 7 to $8 \frac{1}{2}$ scales between lateral line and base of pelvic fin, 2.2 to 24 round the caudal peduncle; interorbital widh 3 to $3 \frac{1}{3}$ in the lencth of head

3 a. stigmatirus.
Anal fin with 11 to 18 branched rays; 8 to 10 (usually 9) scales between lateral line and base of pelvic tin, $2-2$ to 24 round the caudal peduncle ; interortital width $3 \frac{1}{3}$ to $3 \frac{2}{3}$ in the length of head

3b. pernantii.
B. Snout produced, conical 4. ox'yrhynchus.

## 1. Coregonus vandesius, Richards.

## The Vendace.

Conegums randesius, Günth. ('at. Fish. vi. p. 194 (186()) ; l)ay, Fish. Britain. ii. p. 128, pl. cxxiii. fig. 1 (1881) ; Regan, Amı. \& Mag. Nat. 1 list. ( $\overline{6}$ ) xvii. 1906, p. 180.

Depth of body $3 \frac{2}{5}$ to $4 \frac{1}{4}$ in the length, length of head 4 ? to $4 \frac{2}{3}$. Snout shorter than eye, the diameter of which is $3 \frac{1}{5}$ to $3 \frac{3}{4}$ in the length of head ; interorbital width $3 \frac{1}{2}$ to 4 in the length of head. Lower jas projecting; maxillary extending to below anterior $\frac{1}{4}$ of cye, its length about $\frac{1}{3}$ the length of head. 26 to 30 gill-rakers on the lower part of the anterior arch. 63 to 72 scales in a longitudinal series, $7 \frac{1}{2}$ to 9 in a transverse series from origin of dorsal fin to lateral line, 6 or 7 between lateral line and base of pelvic fin, 20 to 22 round the caudal peduncle. Dorsal with 7 to 9 branched rays; origin nearly equidistant from end of snout and base of caudal fin; longest ray from $\frac{3}{4}$ to as long as the head. Anal with 9 to 12 branched rays. Pectoral extending $\frac{3}{5}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ of the distance from its base to the pelvics, which are inserted below or a little behind the origin of the dorsal. Caudal peduncle 1 to $1 \frac{1}{2}$ as $\operatorname{long}$ as deep, its least depth $\frac{2}{5}$ or a little more than $\frac{2}{5}$ the length of head. Silvery or golden, back greenish blue ; fins pale or dusky.

Castle Loch and Mill Loch, Lochmaben, Dumfriesshire.
Seventecn examples, measuring up to 195 mm . in total length; only two of these have 9 branched rays in the dorsal fin.

Subsp. a. Coregonus gracilior.

## Thie Derwentifater Vendace.

Coregonus gracilior, Regan, Ann. \& Mag. Nat. 1 Iist. (ī) xvii. 1906, p. 181, pl. vii.

Depth of body $t$ to 5 in the length, length of head $4 \frac{1}{2}$ to 5 . Snout nearly as long as or sliorter than eye, the diameter of which is $3 \frac{1}{2}$ to 4 in the length of head and nearly equal to the interorbital width. Lower jaw projecting; maxillary extending to below the anterior $\frac{1}{4}$ of eye, its length about $\frac{1}{8}$ the length of head. 25 to 29 gill-rakers on the lower part of the anterior arch. 60 to 72 scales in a longitudinal series, 7 or 8 in a transverse series from origin of dorsal fin to lateral line, 6 or 7 between lateral line and bise of pelvic firs, 17 to 21 round the caudal peduncle. Dorsal with 8 to 10 branched rays; origin equilistant from end of shout and base of candal or a little nearer the former; longest ray $\frac{2}{3}$ to $\frac{4}{5}$ the length of had. Anal with 9 to 11 branched rays. Pectoral extending from $\frac{1}{2}$ to nearly $\frac{2}{3}$ of the distance from its base to the pelvies, which are inserted below or a little behind the origin of the dorsal. Caudal peduncle $1 \frac{1}{2}$ to 2 as long as deep, its least depth $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{2}{5}$ the length of head. Nilvery, back bluish; fins pale.

Derwentwater and Bassenthwaite Lakes, Cumberland.
Thirteen specimens, measuring up to 190 mm . in total length; two of these have been presented by Mr. S. Venour, four are in the Keswick Museum, and the remainder have leeen received from Mr. H. A. Beadle. 'Two have 10 branched rays in the dorsal fin, eight 9 , and three 8 .

## 2. Coregonus pollun.

## The Pollan.

Coregonus pollan, Thompson, Proc. Zool. Soc. 1835, p. 77 ; Ciunth. Cht. l"ish. ri. p. 194 (186it) ; Day, Fish. Britain, ii. p. 12?, pl. cxxiii. fig. 2 (1884).
Depth of body $3 \frac{3}{4}$ to $4 \frac{1}{2}$ in the length, length of head $4 \frac{1}{2}$ to 5. Nout as long is or a little shonter than eye, the diameter of which is 4 to $4 \frac{2}{3}$ in the length of head ; interorbital width $3 \frac{1}{4}$ to $3 \frac{4}{5}$ in the length of head. Jaws equal auteriorly; maxillary extending to below anterior $\frac{1}{3}$ of eye or beyond, its. length $\frac{2}{7}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$ the length of head. 22 to 26 gill-rakers on the lower part of anterior arch. 74 to 86 scales in a longitudinal series, $\delta$ to 10 in a transverse series from origin of dorsal fin to lateral line, $7 \frac{1}{2}$ to 9 between lateral line and base

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of pelvic fin, 19 to 22 round the candal pedurcle. Dorsal fin with? to 11 branched rays, its origin nearer to end of snout than to base of candal fin; longest ray about $\frac{2}{3}$ the length of head. Anal with 8 to 11 branched rays. Pectoral extending about $\frac{1}{2}$ the distance from its base to that of the pelvies, which are inserted below or a little in advance of the middle of the dorsal. Caudal peduncle $1 \frac{1}{2}$ to $2 \frac{1}{4}$ as long as deep, its least depth from less than $\frac{1}{3}$ to nearly $\frac{2}{\overline{3}}$ the length of head. Silvery, back darker; dorsal and caudal blackish; pelvics and anal usually blackish, except at the base ; pectoral usually blackish at the tip.

Lough Neagh, Ulster, Ireland.
Thirty-five examples, 180 to 260 mm . in total length.
Dr. Scharff has kindly sent me on loan a specimen taken in the Estuary of the Foyle, which had no donbt gone down the Bann from Lough Neagh, perlaps during a flood.

Sulsp. a. ('oregonus altior, subsp. n.

## The Lough Erne Pollan.

Depth of body $3 \frac{1}{3}$ to 4 in the length, length of head $4 \frac{2}{3}$ to 5 . Snout as long as or longer than eye, the diameter of which is $4 \frac{1}{2}$ to $5 \frac{2}{3}$ in the length of head; interorbital width 3 to $3 \frac{1}{2}$ in the length of head. Jaws equal anteriorly; maxillary extending to below anterior $\frac{1}{4}$ or anterior $\frac{1}{3}$ of eye, its length from a little more than $\frac{1}{4}$ to a little less than $\frac{1}{3}$ the length of head. 24 to 26 gill-rakers on the lower part of the anterior arch. 74 to 88 scales in a longitudinal series, 9 or 10 in a transverse series from origin of dorsal fin to lateral line, $8 \frac{1}{2}$ to 10 between lateral line and base of pelvic fin, 21 to $2 \pm$ round the caudal peduncle. Dorsal with 9 or 10 branched rays, its origin usually nearer to end of snout than to base of candal ; longest ray about $\frac{2}{3}$ the length of head. Anal with 8 to 10 branched rays. Pectoral extending about $\frac{1}{2}$ of the distance from its base to that of the pelvics, which are inserted below the middle of the dorsal. Caudal peduncle $1 \frac{1}{4}$ to $1_{3}^{2}$ as long as deep, its least depth from a little more than $\frac{1}{3}$ to a little less than $\frac{1}{2}$ the length of head. Coloration as in C. pollan.

Lough Erme, Fermanagh, Ireland.
Fourteen spirit-specimens, 230 to 330 mm . in total length, presented during the last three years by Major H. Trevelyan, and two skins from Thompson's collection, received on loan from the Belfast Museum.

Of these sixteen examples thirteen have 9 scales between the lateral line and the base of the pelvic fin.

Although not so abundant as the Pollan in Lough Neagh, this form is fairly plentiful, and I am informed by Major Trevelyan that it has been netted for the market for some years, fetching 10d. per lb, in Englaud and sd. per lb. in Belfast.

## Subsp. b. Coregonus elegans.

## The Shannon Pollan.

Coregonus chupeoides (non Lacep.), Thompsou, Amn. \& Mag. Nat. Hist. ii. 1839 , pp. 266 \& 431 , pl. xvi. tig. 4 .

Coregoms elegons, Thompson, t. c. p. $4 \geqslant .2$.
Depth of body $3 \frac{3}{4}$ to $4 \frac{1}{2}$ in the length, length of head $4 \frac{1}{2}$ to 5. Snott as long as or longer than eye, the diameter of which is $4 \frac{1}{2}$ to 6 in the length of head ; interorbital width 3 to $3 \frac{1}{2}$ in the length of head. Jaws equal anteriorly; maxillary extending to below anterior $\frac{1}{4}$ of eye, its length $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{2}{7}$ the length of head. $2 \pm$ to 28 gill-akers on the lower part of the anterior arch. 78 to 92 scales in a longitndinal series, 9 to 11 in a transverse series from origin of dorsal fin to lateral line, 8 to 10 between lateral line and base of pelvie fin, 22 to 26 round the caudal peduncle. Dorsal with 10 or 11 branched rays, its origin nearer to end of snout than to base of caudal fin; longest ray about $\frac{2}{3}$ the length of head. Anal with 8 to 10 branched rays. Pectoral extending $\frac{1}{2}$ or a little less than $\frac{1}{2}$ of the distance from its base to that of the pelvics, which are inserted below the middle of the dorsal. Caudal peduncle $1 \frac{1}{4}$ to $1 \frac{2}{3}$ as long as cleep, its least depth from a little more than $\frac{1}{3}$ to a little less than $\frac{1}{2}$ the length of head. Coloration as in C. pollan.

Lakes of the Shamon System, Ireland.
Eleven specimens from Loughs Ree and Derg, 210 to 360 mm . in total length-one a dried skin, the only one of Thompson's examples of this form whieh has been preserved, lent by the Belfast Mrusemm ; one received on loan from the Dublin Inseum; the others recently aequired from Mr. Frank Browne (five), Mr. E. W. L. Holt (presented two), and Harrod's Ltd. (presented two).

Of the eleven examples, seven have 10 scales between the lateral line and the base of the pelvic fin, three have?, and one $\delta$.

This fish is now scarce, but Mr. E. W. L. Holt writes me that it was plentiful in Lough Ree previous to the drainage of the Shannon in 1845-6.

A specimen said, on rather doubtful authority, to have come from Lough Corrib is in every way similar to those from the Shannon.

According to some of my correspondents, Pollan are found in the Lakes of Killarney, but they have not been able to send me any, and it is possible that Shad have been mistaken for them. Mr. E. W. L. Holt writes me that he tried the lake with suitable nets, but got no Pollan, and he does not think there are any there. Day (Eish. Britain, ii. p. 129) says that in 1852 a Mr. Fiemell exhibited specimens of Pollan from Lough Neagh and from Killamey to the Dublin Natural History Society. I am indebted to Mr. A. R. Nichols for the original report of this exhibition, which a]peared in 'Saunders's News-Letters,' Tuesday, June 15, 1852, and which reads as follows:-"The usual monthly meeting was held on Thursday [June 10th] ;-Mr. Ffennell fro luced specimens of the Pullan taken in November, 1851 , in Longh Neagh and some taken in Killarney the Sth May last and observed on the difficulty of tonching them withont removing the scales. He directed the attention of the meeting to the difference in shape of the head and gill cover of the specimens from the two localities."

## 3. Coregonus clupeoides. <br> The Powan.

Coregonus clupeoides, Lacep. Hist. Nat. Poiss. v. p. 698 (1803).
(iretyonns cepectei, Parnell, Ann. \& Mag. Nat. Hist. i. 1838, p. 162, fig.
Coreyonus microcephuhes, Parnell, t. c. p. 1fi3, fig.
('oreyomus chupeoides (part.), (iünth. Cat. Fish. vi. p. 188 (1866) ; Day, Fish. Britain, ii. p. 127 (1884).
Depth of body $4 \frac{1}{3}$ to $4 \frac{1}{2}$ in the length, length of head $4 \frac{1}{2}$ to $4 \frac{2}{3}$. Snout as long as or a little longer than eye, the diameter of which is $4 \frac{1}{3}$ to $4 \frac{1}{2}$ in the length of head; interorbital width $3 \frac{1}{3}$ to $3 \frac{2}{5}$ in the length of head. Snout vertically truncated, with the lower jaw included within the upper; maxillary extending to the vertical from the anterior edge of eye, its length $\frac{1}{4}$ or a little more than $\frac{1}{4}$ the length of head. 20 or 21 gill-rakers on the lower part of the anterior arch. 56 to 84 scales in a longitudinal series, 8 or 9 in a transverse series from origin of dorsal fin to lateral line, $7 \frac{1}{2}$ to $8 \frac{1}{2}$ between lateral line and base of pelvic fin, 20 or 21 round the cauclal pelluncle. Dorsal fin with 9 to 11 branched rays; origin nearer to end of shout than to base of caudal fin; longest ray $\frac{8}{5}$ to 7 the length of head. Anal with 9 to 11 branched rass. Pectoral $\frac{4}{5}$ to ${ }_{8}^{7}$ the length of head, ex-
tending from a little more than $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{3}$ of the distance from its base to the pelvics, which are inserted below or in advance of the middle of dorsal. Caudal peduncle $1 \frac{3}{3}$ to $1 \frac{3}{4}$ as long as deep, its least depth $\frac{1}{3}$ or a little more than $\frac{1}{3}$ the length of head. Silvery, back darker'; fins blackish.

Loch Lomond, Scotland.
Two spirit-specimens, 280 and 300 mm . in total length, recently presented by Mr. W. L. Calderwood, and sixteen skins from Dr. Parnell's collection.

Of these eighteen examples, four have 9 branched rays in the anal fin, seven 10, and seven 11.

> Subsp. a. Coregonus stigmaticus, subsp. n.

The Schelly.
Coregonus clupeoides (part.), Guinth. Cat. Fish. vi. p. 188, fig. (1866); Day, Fish. Britain, ii. p. 127 (1884).
Depth of body $3 \frac{1}{3}$ to $4 \frac{1}{2}$ in the length, length of head $4 \frac{1}{4}$ to $4 \frac{3}{4}$. Snout as long as or a little longer than eye, the diameter of which is $4 \frac{1}{4}$ to $4 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{in}$ the length of head; interorbital width 3 to $3 \frac{1}{3}$ in the length of head. Snont vertically truncated, with the lower jaw included within the upper; maxillary extending to the vertical from anterior edge of eye, its length about $\frac{1}{4}$ the length of head. 22 to 23 gill-raker's on the lower part of the anterior areh. 72 to $83^{3}$ seales in a longitudinal series, 9 or 10 in a transverse series from origin of dorsal fin to lateral line, 7 to $8 \frac{1}{2}$ between lateral line and base of pelvic fin, 22 to 24 romid the caudal pedurcle. Dorsal fin with 9 to 11 branched rays; origin nearer to end of snout than to base of candal fin; longest ray $\frac{3}{4}$ to $\frac{7}{8}$ the length of head. Anal with 10 to 12 branched rays. Pectoral $\frac{3}{4}$ to $\frac{7}{8}$ the length of head, extending from a little more than $\frac{1}{2}$ to more than $\frac{2}{3}$ of the distance from its base to the base of pelvics, which are inserted below the middle of the dorsal. Candal peduncle longer than deep, its least depth $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{2}{5}$ the length of head. Silvery, back darker; back and sides with more or less distinct small blackish spots ; similar spots sometimes present on the head and in transverse series on the dorsal and caudal fins; fins blackish.

Hab. Haweswater, Cumberland, and Ullswater, Westmoreland.

Twelve spirit-specimens, 220 to 340 mm . in total length, several of which have been recently presented by the Earl of Lonsdale, and a skin from Yarrell's collection.

Of these thirtecn examples, ten have 10 branched rays in the anal fin, two 11, and one 12 ; seven have 8 scales
hetween the lateral line and the base of the pelvic fin, four $7 \frac{1}{2}$, one 7 , and one $8 \frac{1}{2}$.

## Subsp. b. Coregonus pennantii. <br> The Giviniad.

Coregomus pemmantii, Cur. \& Val. Hist. Nat. Poiss. xxi. p. 507 (1848). Coregonus clupeoides (part.), Giinth. Cat. Fish. vi. p. 188 (1866); Jay, Fish. Britain, ii. p. 127, pl. cxxii. (1884).
Depth of body $3 \frac{3}{5}$ to $4 \frac{1}{4}$ in the length, length of head $4 \frac{1}{4}$ to 5. Snout nearly as long as or a little longer than eye, the diameter of which is $3 \frac{5}{5}$ to $5 \frac{1}{3}$ in the length of head; interorhital width $3 \frac{1}{3}$ to $3 \frac{2}{3}$ in the length of head. Snout vertically trmeated, with the lnwer fas included within the upper; maxillary extending to or a little beyond the vertical from the anterior edge of eye; 21 to 23 gill-rakers on the lower part of the anterior arch. 76 to 90 scales in a longitudinal series, 3 or 10 in a transverse series from origin of dorsal fin to lateral line, 8 to 10 between lateral line and base of pelvic fin, 22 to 24 round the caudal perduncle. Dorsal fin with 10 branched rays: origin nearer to end of snout than to base of caudal fin; longest ray $\frac{士}{\square}$ to $\frac{7}{8}$ the length of head. Anal with 11 to 13 branched rays. Pectoral $\frac{4}{5}$ to $\frac{7}{8}$ the length of head, extending from a liftle more than $\frac{1}{2}$ to a little less than $\frac{2}{3}$ of the distance from its hase to that of the pelvics, which are inserted below the middle of the dorsal. Caudal pedmelo longer than deep, its least depth $\frac{1}{3}$ or a little more than $\frac{1}{3}$ the length of head. Silvery, back darker ; fins blackish.

Lake Bala, Merionethshire.
Six spirit-specimens, 210 to 400 mm . in total length, four of which have been recently presented by Sir Watkin Wynn and Mr. William Owen, and a skin from Jardine's collection.

Of these seven examples, four have 11 branched rays in the anal fin, two 12. and one 13 ; five have 9 scales between the lateral line and the base of the pelvic fin, one 8 , and one 10 .

## 4. Coregonus oxyrhynchus, Linn. <br> The Houting.

Coregonus oxyrhynchus, Criinth. Cat. Fish. vi. p. 183 (1866); Day, Fish. Britain, p. 126, pl. cxxi. fig. 2 (1884).
Hab. Coasts and rivers of Europe from Scandinavia to Holland.

This species attains a length of 400 mm . and is often seen on the London market; Day records it from Lincolushire, the Medway, and Chichester.

